Fwd: Flagging for Awareness: Trucker Protests - National Overview

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Good Afternoon,
Further to the below, I can advise that a convoy of approximately 200 vehicles are participating in a Slow Roll protest on the roadways leading up to the Ambassador Bridge and proceeding in loop around the port of entry. The demonstration is a protest of the new requirement for commercial truck drivers to be fully vaccinated.
The convoy includes both commercial and personal vehicles. They are not interfering with normal processing of border traffic and there is a police presence along the roadways to ensure they are not blocking intersections.
At approximately 1428 ET, it was reported that local media is now covering the protest.
Thanks,
Robyn

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Thanks Julie, yes, you are correct.
Local management and intelligence track these protests and intelligence briefings are circulated to our officers.
As well, our Regional operations work to ensure a plan is in place to react to any potential disruption. Planning will include having adequate resources present to deal with the event, as well as managerial presence and oversight.
We also engage our Communications team to deal with issues with media, and work with partners including like RCMP (for Highway traffic act issues), PHAC (processing if required), USCBP (for awareness).
Thanks,
Robyn

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Hi Robyn, when protests happen at specific POE I'm assuming we inform our agents so they can mentally and operationally prepare?

> On Jan 21, 2022, at 1:43 PM, Quinn, Robyn <Robyn.Quinn@cbsa-asfc.gc.ca> wrote:
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> Good Afternoon,
> As you would have seen from my emails earlier this week there are quite a few trucker protests underway, so we have prepared the overview below with a breakdown of all the individual protests for ease of reference.
> **Overview:**
> · As of January 21, 2022, the CBSA is currently monitoring **eight** upcoming truck convoy/protests. A handful of these protests appear to be affiliated under the names of "Convoy for Freedom 2022" and #BearHug2.0, as posted on a Canada-Unity.com website.
> · Three of these protests are intended to culminate in Ottawa. A small number of these protests/convoys have significant public support via public funding and social media.
> · We are also monitoring social media and reports of truckers and other drivers driving slower than normal ("slow rolls") in order to hold up traffic and cause delays, in support of truck convoys and protests.
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> **Breakdown by protest:**
> · **PAC:** The "Convoy for Freedom 2022" will depart B.C. on January 23, 2022, and will make its way to Ottawa. This convoy has received substantial public support including over $500,000 on a GoFundMe page.

- **ATL:** The region is currently monitoring potential convoy protests with three routes specific to the Atlantic Region: St. Johns to Port aux Basques (Newfoundland), Stratford (P.E.I) to Moncton (NB); and Enfield (NS) to Rivière-du-Loup (NB). The convoy in NL appears to coincide with rallies planned near the Confederation Building in St. John's, NL, Exploits Mall in Grand Falls-Windsor, NL and the City Hall in Corner Brook, NL.
- **Coutts POE (PRA):** An Instagram movement called "Lockdown Coutts Border" is starting a protest on January 29, 2022 and will remain in the area of the POE until all mandates and restrictions are lifted. Information gathered suggests that trucks and vehicles will block access in both directions. The Region is enacting their action plan tomorrow to handle any disruptions.
- **Emerson POE (PRA):** A potential protest is set to occur on January 23, 2022 and will end on January 24, 2022, which will include a "slow roll" down the highway to Winnipeg Legislative Building.
- **North Portal POE** (PRA): On January 22, 2022, a truck convoy/protest called the "Freedom Convoy Support" is planned at the North Portal POE. The POE is prepared for possible increased wait times and all partners (RCMP, USCBP, PHAC, and internal) have been briefed.
- **Sarnia (SOR):** OPP has confirmed that a truck protest entitled "BearHug 2.0" in the Sarnia area will start January 23, 2022 and will end on January 26, 2022. This protest will likely run from dawn until dusk daily and organizers have emphasized that they would like the protest to be peaceful and lawful. This is affiliated with the "Convoy for Freedom 2022" protest.
- **Windsor (SOR):** OPP has confirmed that a truck protest will start on January 23, 2022 at 10h00 and will end on January 26, 2022 when the protest departs for Ottawa. This is affiliated with the "Convoy for Freedom 2022" protest.
- **St. Bernard-de-Lacolle (QC):** Two trucker protests are scheduled for Saint-Bernard-de-Lacolle this weekend, one on January 22 (appears to be a practice run) and one on January 23. The number of participants is unknown. Both are scheduled from 09h00-12h00 and said to be organized by citizens.
- **Various (QC):** On January 28, 2022, truckers will be meeting at 3 POEs (Saint-Theophile, Stanstead, and Saint-Bernard-de-Lacolle), and will drive on Highway 40 until Vankleek Hill (ON), and will move onward to Ottawa on January 29, 2022. Unclear if this is related to the "Convoy for Freedom 2022" but appears to be.

Thanks and please let me know if I can be of further assistance.
Robyn